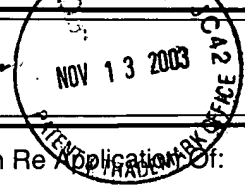
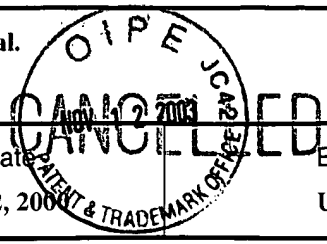
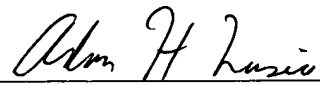



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In Re Application Of: Bayard S. Webb et al.			
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In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, which requires applicants to elect one of the following:

- I. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6 to 10, 12, 13 and 38 drawn to a gaming system wherein award values are disclosed prior to generating a final outcome, classified in class 463, subclass 20.
- II. Claims 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 12 to 24 to 37, drawn to a gaming device incorporating a mechanical door for generating a visual display to reveal outcomes, classified in class 463, subclass 30.

Applicants hereby make the following elections without traverse:

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